"The South 40"

by JAMES A. SMITH
EXTENSION AGENT

This weeks report shows farmers from seven counties have growers participating in the Dark-Fired Tobacco Growers Recognition Program There are 86 participating, 30 of these from Appomattox County.

We appreciate the support from Appomattox growers and the good work done by the Committee.

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A new soybean variety has been released for 1975 production. It's called "Shore." This bean carries resistance to the Mexican bean beetle. Yieldwise it's just under the York bean.

I don't think we need to consider this variety in this area of the state at this time, because we've experienced no problems with the Mexican bean beetle on soybeans.

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How to control horn and face flies on beef cattle and non-lactating dairy animals is a real problem.

At Animal Industry Day two weeks ago one of the exhibits was a portable mineral shelter using dust bags. It measures 8' X 10'. We invite you to stop by and pick up a copy of this plan.

We feel this is the best answer we have at this time other than spraying. Spraying gives relatively poor control of face flies.

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The Emergency Livestock Credit Act of 1974 has been signed into law. The financial assistance is the guarantee of loans. The total loans for any loan applicant should not exceed $250,000. The applicant must certify that he is not able to obtain financing in the absence of a guarantee, and the Secretary of Agriculture must find that the applicant has a reasonable probability of re-paying the loan.

Farmers Home Administration will administer this program. Additional information is available from that office.

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Dairy and beef producers may be interested in picking up a copy of Publication 589 - **Grass Tetany and Its Control** from this office.

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Purebred beef producers may like to pick up a copy of Publication 181 - **Developing and Performance Testing Young Beef Bulls** from this office.

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Chemicals can be absorbed into the body through the skin. Rate of absorption depends on location, being nearly 12 times as fast in the lower groin area as your arm. Chemicals cross the skin fast enough in this area to approximate the effect of an injection.

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The 1974 rye variety tests are in. For several years abruzzi has been the only recommended variety. The variety vitagraze, marketed by McNain Seed Company, has been equal to abruzzi in the Virginia test.

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Last Wednesday evening the committee concerned with the Industry of Agriculture Credit held a public hearing at Central Virginia Community College. About 35 attended.

This committee has four objectives: 1. Analyze sources, use and present trends influencing additional credit needs of the Industry of Agriculture and project the credit needs through the next decade.

2. Evaluate state, legislative and administrative policies relating to credit laws, tax incentives and equity capitol, and recommend desirable changes to the Governor prior to the 1975 legislative session.

3. Recommend new, innovative agricultural credit programs to meet capitol needs which is expected to increase substantially by 1985.

4. Recommend a broad development program to meet the projected credit needs of agriculture.

This committee is interested in receiving ideas and suggestions from the general public. These should be in letter form and may be sent to: James A. Nolen, Chairman, Appomattox, Virginia 24522.

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PRECIPITATION

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Nor. for Year	24.07

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Hollywood

Miss Julia Wingfield and the Acteens of Hollywood made a tour Sunday afternoon of the Holy Land in Bedford, Va.

Mrs. Mary Bagby received word Saturday that Mr. Ewing Joiner of Herndon, Ky., was a patient in the Jenny Stuart Hospital in Hopkinsville, Ky 42240. His relatives and friends in Virginia wish for him a very speedy recovery.

Mr. Jimmie Woodall and Miss Charlotte Everlyn of Richmond visited Mr. and Mrs. Logan Hubbard of Lynchburg, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Woodall and Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Woodall and family of Spout Springs and Mrs. Mary Bagby Saturday.

Miss Susan Woodall of Lynchburg entered the Virginia Baptist Hospital Sunday for an operation Monday. We all wish her a very speedy recovery.

Mr. George Jennings is still a patient in the Medical College Hospital in Richmond. We pray he may soon feel better.

We are so happy to hear Mr. David Repass is home from the hospital. We pray he may soon be real well again. Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Webb visited him Sunday night.

We were very sorry to hear of the death Sunday of Mr. Bill Taylor. Deepest sympathy is extended his loved ones.

We are very sorry to hear Mr. Dan Wooldridge, Mrs. Kenneth Deaner and Mrs. L. H. Watson are among the sick. We hope and pray each may soon be well.

Miss Laurie Thorne of Richmond, visited Miss Dawn Deaner and family last week. Mrs. Robert Thomas and son of Richmond spent Saturday in the Deaner home. Laurie accompanied them home.

Rev. and Mrs. Otis Smith and Mrs. W. T. Covington spent Friday night and Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Bennett Gilliam of Farmville.

We were very sorry to hear of the death last week of Mr. Billy Inge, father Mr. Frank P. Inge. We extend love and sympathy to all of the family.

Mr. Robert Jenkins, of Lynchburg, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Jenkins, Sunday.

Mr. H. W. Jenkins visited his mother and sister at the Liberty Home in Lynchburg last week. We are very sorry Mrs. Jenkins and Mrs. Abbitt's condition are no better.

Mr. and Mrs. Ryland Mayberry and mother, Mrs. Joan Mayberry, of Newport News, were Saturday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Deaner and family. Mrs. Joan Mayberry is spending the week in the Deaner home.

St. Luke

Homecomers and friends from many cities and adjourning communities made up the overflowing crowd to attend the annual homecoming at the St. Luke Baptist Church Sun., Aug. 4th at 11:30. Rev. McLaughlin was in charge of the very inspiring services for the morning. The Junior Choir gave soul-stirring music. Mrs. Josephine Nowling was at the piano. The ladies of the church and other friends who had relatives there brought out a bountiful lunch. That was enjoyed by all.

The Rev. G. W. Johnson was in charge of the evening services. The Male Chorus from the Spring Hill Baptist Church furnished special music. Mrs. Louise Randolph was at the piano. This was a great event. Rev. Johnson is pastor of the High Street Baptist Church in Danville.

The offering for the day was over $2,000.

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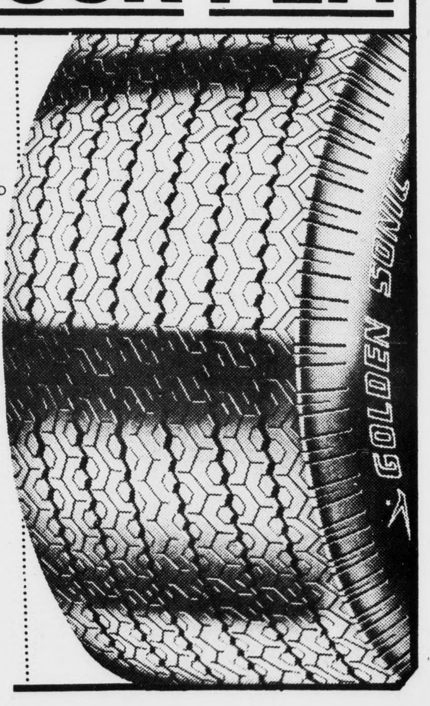

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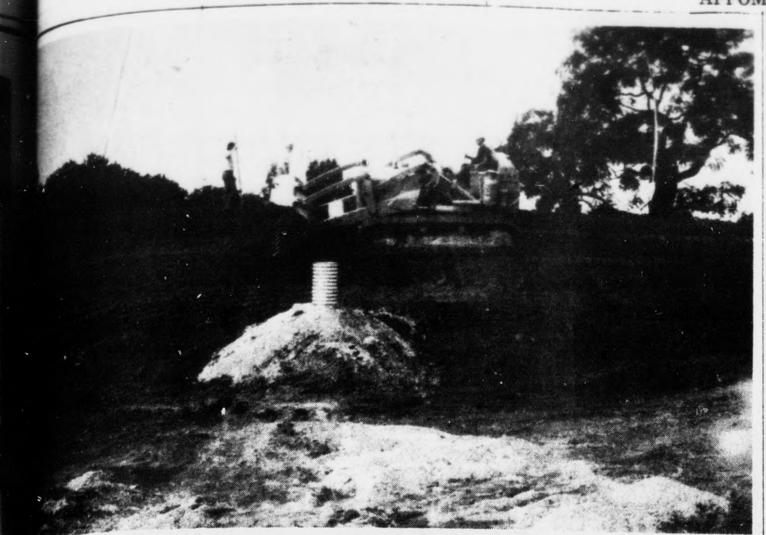

(left to right) Phillip Harris and John Goin, Conservation Technician make final construction check on Thomasville debris basin. Everette J. Moore, operating loader, constructed the basin.

"Leaky Pond Constructed On Thomasville Site"

...leaky ponds are ...considered a failure, the Conservation Service has assisted Thomasville Furniture Industries construct one. "leaky pond" or debris is the first designed by the Robert E. Lee Soil Water Conservation District. Muddy water from the graded area drains into the through the natural waterway and constructed diversion. As the water seeps through the gravel filter and perforated pipe, the mud or sediment is trapped and remains in the pond. Studies conducted by the Soil Conservation Service show that debris basins trap 80-90% of the incoming sediment.

Debris basins are common in rapidly developing areas such as Northern Virginia. They are usually a temporary measure to control erosion until permanent vegetation is established. Thomasville plans to leave their diversion and debris basin to reduce silt pollution when further plant expansion is made.

Silt polluted or muddy water ruins recreation value, kills fish, destroys ponds, harbors, and stream channels. Stream channels clogged with sediment have little capacity and flood frequently. Conservation practices, such as debris basins, reduce stream pollution, improve water quality, and provide other public benefits.

...ended National Meeting of FHA

...Carla Varner and Mrs. ...Jo Smith have just ...ed from Chicago, Illinois ...they attended the ...l Meeting of Future ...akers of America at the ...Hilton Hotel, July 15-18. ...is President of the ...Association of Future ...akers, and is a senior at ...mattox County High ... The 2000 youth ...tes represented a natio...emberships of about ...million.

...reports that it was an ...g week packed with ...sessions, resource labs, ...ding speakers, fun time, ...at the famous ...Theatre, and sight...around Chicago.

...meeting theme was ...," Carla reported, "to ...r resources for use in improving self, understanding others and exploring careers."

Carla pointed out that there were so many interesting sessions at the meeting it was difficult to decide which had the most meaning.

"It was a real learning experience," Carla said. "And one of the best things about it was the opportunity to make a lot of friends from all across the country. Then, the election and installation of the twelve new FHA National officers and the three national representatives of the HERO chapters was thrilling and impressive. Being selected as a delegate to attend this National Meeting was a wonderful experience and a great honor for me and I am grateful for having been given this opportunity."

Carla is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Herman Varner of Route 1, Pamplin.

DEADLINE EXTENDED FOR GOVERNOR'S AWARD NOMINATIONS

The deadline for the submission of nominations in the Governor's Conservation Awards program has been extended from August 15, 1974 until September 1, 1974, according to R.E.B. Stewart III, Awards Chairman for the Virginia Wildlife Federation. Persons interested in the submission of nominations in this program may obtain information by writing to the Conservation Awards Center, 122 Royster Building in Norfolk, Va. 23510. Application forms are also available from Virginia Wildlife Federation Clubs and from most Sears Roebuck & Co. stores. For the past eight years, Sears, Roebuck & Co. has joined the Virginia Wildlife Federation in the sponsorship of the awards program.

Flue Cured Tobacco Notes

James R. Ford, Jr., Chairman of the Appomattox County Agricultural Stabilizaiton and Conservation Committee, today asked flue-cured tobacco growers to repair or replace damaged marketing sheets, in accordance with the 1968 agreement between the various segments of the industry.

"Some of the sheets in which farmers delivered tobacco to market last year were in such poor condition that some tobacco fell out before it could be removed from the auction floors. More leaves fell out when transporting the tobacco to the processing plants. This is a serious problem which should be corrected," Mr. Ford said.

Under the 1968 Agreement, growers purchased standard sheets for their first deliveries; warehousemen purchased sheets to furnish growers' replacement sheets, and buyers furnished replacement sheets to warehouses. Mr. Ford indicated this arrangement has proven to be the best method devised so far for the presentation and sale of tobacco in loose leaves. "However, the arrangement will not continue to operate successfully if the sheets do not hold the tobacco," said Ford.

Buying companies have agreed to either repair or replace their sheets which have worn out. Warehouse associations have asked all warehousemen to do likewise. "Growers cannot expect warehousemen to provide them equitable sales opportunities," said Ford, "and furnish them good sheets in return for sheets that are worn out or have holes in them."

He stated that if the 1968 Agreement is to continue to be effective, growers should either repair or buy new sheets for the 1974 marketing season.

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St. Anne's Announces Plans For Expansion

The Vestry of St. Anne's Episcopal Church has announced plans to renovate and expand the historic church.

Capt. W. W. Blythe, Senior Warden, and Mr. C. Lewis McDearmon, Jr., Junior Warden said work will begin in the early fall. The projected cost of the project is $44,627.00.

Throughout the month of July, members of the congregation have canvassed themselves and have raised $18,600 toward the total. "It would be wonderful to see that total grow," said Mr. McDearmon. "We hope we won't have to borrow too heavily."

St. Anne's was moved to Appomattox in 1949 and is on the move again ... this time forward and outward. Rapid growth of the congregation has surpassed the present seating capacity of the building and the Sunday School rooms are overflowing.

J. E. Jamerson and sons, Inc. of Appomattox is the contractor. Cress-Rhodes Architects have drawn plans and specifications for the work.

The quaint air of an English country church surrounding St. Anne's is the result of dedicated efforts by a small group of English immigrants who settled in Prince Edward County. A few years after the War Between the States, this group revived Episcopal worship in the area then known as Spring Creek. The area is now called Five Forks.

Actual work on the church began in August, 1874. The building was consecrated on June 10, 1875, and was then dedicated to St. Anne, Christ's grandmother, "in affectionate remembrance of Mrs. Annie Wyles, the wife of Tracy Wyles, who died in April, 1974."

Dr. John A. Mathews is Chairman of the Building Committee. "One of the delightful aspects of our plan is the addition of a pipe organ. It will be housed in a loft at the rear of the new section," said Dr. Mathews.

COMMISSION TO SET WATERFOWL SEASON

In a regularly scheduled meeting to be held beginning at 9:30 A.M. on Friday, August 16, 1974 in the Commission's offices at 4010 West Broad St. in Richmond, Virginia, the ten-member Commission of Game and Inland Fisheries will set the dates for hunting waterfowl for the 1974-75 season. The public is invited to attend and persons interested in expressing their opinions or requesting time on the meeting agenda may do so by writing to the above address. In addition to setting the waterfowl seasons, the Commission will address themselves to items of routine business.

Farmville Jousters Enter Tourney

A band of knights from Farmville rode into the lists at the Merrie Old England Summer Festival at the Boar's Head Inn near Charlottesville this past week end. Twenty-nine contestants rode up on their steeds to present themselves to the tournament judges beside the lake in front of the inn. Three of them were experienced jousters from Farmville.

Howard Estes, riding as Knight of Sayler's Creek, made a perfect score of 9 at the 1½-in rings and advanced to the 1-in. rings, at which stage he was bested. Tommy Estes, riding as Knight of Sandy Creek, and Scott Bryant, the Knight of Green Valley, both scored 7 out of a possible 9 at the 1½-in. rings.

The highest score, for what is traditionally known as the "Crown" of the tournament, was achieved by John Riggleman, of Fisher, W. Va., riding as Knight of Downtown Fisher. He received a silver bowl and a wreath of flowrs for his lady.

Among the contestants were two ladies, Mrs. Barbara Ray, of Millboro Springs, and her 16-year-old daughter, Barbara, and two young knights aged 13 years.

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